

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketthrough~~.

Please REPLACE numbered paragraph [0040], beginning at page 5, line 25, and carrying over to page 6, with the following paragraph:

The present invention preferably uses a hardware platform 40 as depicted in FIG. 4. This platform 40 includes a conventional computer readable storage 42 (RAM, ROM, hard disc, floppy disc, CD, DVD, etc.) for storing layer editors, paint programs, data structures, data, curve fitting functions, etc. used by the present invention as well as the processes, bitmap graphics and bitmap hit zones of the invention discussed herein. The platform 40 also includes a conventional processor 44, typically a tablet personal computer (Tablet PC) class machine. The platform 40 further includes a conventional pen based I/O system 46, such as a display with a pen-based digitizer, and optionally includes conventional I/O components, such as a keyboard, floppy disc, mouse, etc. The I/O system 48 can also be the type that allows touch input by a finger and input by a 3D position sensing system that senses the 3D position of a finger, hand, eyes, etc. as well as via a mouse or other conventional input system.

Please REPLACE numbered paragraph [0045], beginning at page 7, line 11, with the following paragraph:

Pop-up toolbars 120 can also adopt the orientation of the arc as depicted in figure 11A. Note how the marking menu icon remains horizontally orientated for easy reading while the individual finger arc tool targets (hot spots) 122-128 adhere to the anti-arc extended arc orientation. This figure also shows the concept of a marking menu 126 as one of the tools, with visible commands in this case, and that has an "overflow" area 130 that, in this example, is up and to the right of the marking menu center along the dominant elbow type curve. As can be seen, the positioning of the overflow area 130 can also conform to the underlying arc paradigm. The shape of the overflow area 130 can take on the similar arc contour shaped palette depicted previously in figures 9 and 10. Figure 11B illustrates the pop-up menu with an elbow arc 131 shaped overflow area 132 with arc shaped controls 134 therein. This embodiment also shows the marking menu regions 136 oriented and aligned along a wrist shaped arc 138.

Please REPLACE numbered paragraph [0065], beginning at page 11, line 16, with the following paragraph:

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The system also includes permanent or removable computer readable storage, such as magnetic and optical discs, RAM, ROM, etc. on which the process and data structures of the present invention can be stored and distributed. The processes can also be distributed via, for example, downloading over a network such as the Internet.